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SECRETFOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICELebanese Crisis

FBIS radio coverage of the Lebanese situation is a good example of the value of monitoring the radios of different political factions in a crisis. Bureaus in Nicosia, Amman, Bahrain, and Tel Aviv have combined to cover the broadcasts of the official Beirut domestic service, the PLO's clandestine Voice of Palestine, the pro-Phalangist Voice of Lebanon, the Christian Voice of Hope, and the official Israeli broadcasts. The information collected by FBIS from these sources included "first alerts" on new developments, updates on the political and military situations, and texts of statements, interviews and remarks by key Israeli, Lebanese, and Palestinian figures. Examples: (1) Indications of Syrian reserve callups were noted through the broadcast of special messages over Radio Damascus on 9 June; (2) Israel's armed forces IDF radio on 19 June broadcast a letter of the Israeli Chief of Staff to Israeli troops that confirmed Israel's use of cluster bombs; (3) on 19 June Radio Jerusalem broadcast Israeli warnings and appeals to Palestinians in Beirut and village inhabitants in southern Lebanon, warning the former to lay down their arms and asking the latter to inform on terrorists. []

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Throughout the crisis the FBIS Wire Service has been able to offer guidance to FBIS field bureaus on coverage as a result of telephonic exchanges between the Wire and the special working groups in the Agency and State Department. An example of community-wide interest in FBIS reporting on the crisis was a State Department request for FBIS to consider ways of directing significant traffic to the U.S. Ambassador's residence in Beirut, which had become a headquarters for Special Envoy Habib. []

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Daily Report Automation

FBIS is moving closer to implementation of Phase I of its Daily Report automation system. The contractor, Logicon, feels it can meet a 7 July date for a Factory Acceptance Test. It is estimated that the test will last 5 to 8 days, after which delivery to the Key Building will take place the week of 26 July. FBIS and ORD recently provided an update on the project ("MIDAS") for the OMB examiner. []

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Ambassador to Swaziland

The Ambassador-designate to Swaziland, Mr. Robert H. Phinny, visited FBIS for a briefing and information on the FBIS bureau in Mbabane. Mr. Phinny is from private industry. []

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